REMARKS

Applicant acknowledges the allowance of claims 1-164, and 167. The amendment to claim 165 corrects the informality relating to antecedent basis, by changing the "said antenna" language to "said planar spiral coil." The amendments to claim 166 correct the informality with respect to repetitive recitation of the exhaust pump feature, and clarifies that the exhaust pump is for exhausting and setting the process container portion and the auxiliary container portion to a vacuum.

Applicant respectfully submits that these amendments correct all of the cited informalities, thereby obviating the § 112, second paragraph rejection.

Applicant respectfully traverses the § 103(a) rejection of claim 166 over <u>Cuomo</u> in view of <u>Ogle</u>. Neither reference, alone or in combination, teaches or suggests an exhaust pump connected to an auxiliary container, or that the exhaust pump can exhaust and set to vacuum the process container portion and the auxiliary container. Therefore, the references fail to suggest every feature of the invention, as set forth in claim 166.

Claims 165 and 166, as amended, are patentable in view of § 112, and are patentable over the cited references.

Applicants therefore respectfully request reconsideration of claims 165 and 166, and allowance thereof, in addition to already-allowed claims 1-164, and 167.

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